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Applicant: ISAO SAKATA ET AL.

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Title: PORPHYRIN COMPOUNDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-8 without prejudice.